

# Minutes Public Hearing

**Roll Call:** John Bender, Rick Deeds, Bobbie Mershon, Victor Paini, Marilyn Rush-Ekelberry, Leah Turner

**VOTE:**

<b>AYES</b>	Dr. Bender, Mrs. Turner, Mrs. Mershon Mr. Deeds, Mrs. Rush-Ekelberry,
<b>NAY</b>	

**Purpose of the Public Hearing:** The purpose of the public hearing is to discuss the proposed tax budget for the year 2010 for the Village of Canal Winchester.

The budget has to be adopted and submitted to both Franklin and Fairfield County Budget Commissions before July 20<sup>th</sup>.

In the General Fund, revenue is projected at \$6,048,645.00, which is a little less than projected for 2009. Income tax revenue is projected to be flat from 2008 and that local permits will continue to be down in 2010. It is projected that revenue will increase in the Water and Sewer operating funds by 3%.

On the expenses, salary counts have no increases, benefits have increased 1%, and the receptionist position is being reduced to a part-time position for 2010.

Projects expected to be completed are an undefined parks project for \$125,000, \$30,000 in trees, \$50,000 on the Interurban Building, \$25,000 in masonry and window repairs to Town Hall and \$125,000 in improvements to ramps, sidewalks and alleys.

2010 CIP projects will include improvements on E. Hocking Street, Old Creek Lane and paving Westchester sections 31, 32 and 33 and Winchester Village 21 and 22.

In the Street fund, we will be looking at a dura-patch machine. In the Water fund, the tower maintenance contract will begin. \$35,000 of meters will be replaced and should be the end of the replacements. In the Sewer fund, I&I work will continue.

Ms. Osborn presented debt information on a power point presentation.

See attached budget proposal for further information.

**Village Resident Questions/Comments:**

(Five Minute Limit per Person)

**Jeffrey Bond**, of 146 Washington Street, Apt. C., stated that he is concerned that some of the improvements need done because the original work was not done correctly. Mr. Bond personally investigated the work that Virginia Homes did on the streets and their asphalt layer is less thick than a driveway in the City of Columbus. It is disillusioning that we are now paying for the improvements with our tax dollars. These roads should be lasting a lot longer than they are.

**Council Comments/Questions:**

Discussion ensued as to who determined the priority of these projects.

**Adjournment:**

Mr. Paini moved to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Bender seconded the motion.

<b>VOTE:</b>	<b>AYES</b>	Dr. Bender, Mrs. Turner, Mrs. Mershon
		Mr. Deeds, Mrs. Rush-Ekelberry, Mr. Jarvis
	<b>NAY</b>	

Motion carried.

Time out 7:04pm